



AMG-12 TSTCore Update

12 June 1996



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Events Calendar

Since last AMG meeting:

- 24-25 April 96 AMG-11

- 30 April 96 RTI v0.3 release; buddy system kickoff

2 May 96 ITEA Conference
22 May 96 PADS Conference
23 May 96 OMT v0.3 release
28 May 96 RTI v0.32 release

- 31 May 96 Time Mgt Document v0.3 release

- 3 June 96 OMG Techical Meetings

- 4 June 96 RTI v0.3e release (Declaration Mgt Experiments)

- 7 June 96 Declaration Management Tech Exchange

7 June 96 Draft IF v0.5 distributed to AMG

- 11 June 96 MRCI PDR

Upcoming Events:

- 12-13 June 96 AMG-12

- 13 June 96 I/F Spec v0.5 release

- 21 June 96 RTI v0.33 release

17-18 July 96 AMG-13
 21-22 August 96 AMG-14

- 16-20 Sept 96 15th DIS Workshop

- November 96 AMG-15 (To be scheduled)

- 2-6 December 96 I/ITSEC



HLA Baseline Development Milestones



- HLA Baseline = Rules + OMT Specification + Interface Specification
- Priority focus between now and August for prototypes and experiments is on HLA baseline definition
- The current set of HLA prototypes are also providing valuable input for development of fieldable infrastructure software (SW) and other supporting elements of the HLA, including
 - RTI 0.X series provides a 'reference design' for 1.0 fieldable prototype
 - Protofederations provide input to RTI functional and performance specification for industry RTI (2.0) procurement
 - Federation development process view provides basis for potential recommended practice
 - I/F test procedures



HLA Baseline Development Milestones



- AMG-12 (12-13 June)
 - Rules v0.1; OMT v0.3; I/F v0.5
- AMG-13 (17-18 July)
 - Rules v1.0 (draft) review
 - draft release 8 July; comments requested by 15 July
 - OMT v1.0 (draft) review
 - draft release 9 July; OMTWG meets 11 July
 - I/F v0.5 review
 - IFWG meets 25-26 June
 - □ acceptable services (v1.0), ready for AMG review
 - plan for consideration of services still under discussion, primarily declaration managment
- AMG-14 (21-22 August)
 - IFWG meets 30-31 July to complete WG review of remaining services
 - Complete Version 1.0 final review
 - draft release 15 August



Rules



- Rules Version 0.1 is on the net
- Comments received to date support content of rules, suggest some changes in wording and description
- Request any added comments from AMG by 26 June
- Version 0.2 to be drafted and circulated by 8 July; comments request back by 15 July
- Discussion item for AMG-13





I/F Spec Working Group

- Interface Specification Version 0.4 released 7 March 1996
- WG met 15 May 1996 reviewed newly submitted comments
- Draft I/F Version 0.5 released to AMG on 7 June 1996
 - AMG release v0.5 14 June 1996
- IF Version 1.0 Schedule
 - IFWG to meet 25 & 26 June 1996
 - Brief AMG-13 on 17 July on firm areas and changing areas
 - IFWG to meet 30-31 July 1996
 - Draft v1.0 to AMG-14 August 1996
 - AMG-14 approve release of v1.0, 22 August 1996
- Only major change anticipated between v0.5 and v1.0 is Declaration Management





OMT Working Group

- OMTWG-8 (16 May)
 - OMT v0.3 final review
 - OMT v1.0 Workplan
- OMT v0.3 released 23 May 1996
 - Now comprises basic template, extensions, use case(s), and description of Federation Development and Execution Process as separate documents
 - Comments solicited for incorporation in v1.0
- OMTWG-9 planned for 19 June





Related Required Actions

Compliance Checklist

- Review underway by OMTWG and IFWG
- OMTWG to develop OMT test procedures
- Propose: Input requested by 8 July
- Propose: Discussion Topic for AMG-13

Federate Profiles

- Initial profiles completed for AMG-10
- Plan is to update profile format and update profile data as prototyping experience base expands
- Propose: Input on format changes by 27 June
- Propose: Revised format distributed by 8 July
- Propose: Inputs provided by AMG-13





RTI Status

- AMG-11: instituted RTI federation buddy system
 - Results have been very positive
- RTI Releases
 - 0.3 released 30 April
 - 0.32 released 28 May
 - 0.32e released 4 June (Declaration Management Experiments)
 - 0.33 release set for 21 June
- No plans for a 0.4 release, based on feedback from AMG
 - RTI investigation with time management proposed to address outstanding issues with respect to event retraction
- Work is underway to plan for 1.0 development
 - RTI 0.X provides a design reference for 1.0 evolution
 - Release schedule to be developed
- Work continues in preparation for competitive procurement (2.0)
 - Functional and performance specification being developed





RTI Buddy Visits

- Engineering 13 & 14 May (ACETEF: Harry Wolfson, Steve McGarry, MIT/LL)
 - Adapted ACETEF "benchmark" program to work with RTI v0.3
 - Observed RTI deadlock
- PPF 13 May, 23 &24 May, June 5-7 (TASC Boston, IST Orlando, Raytheon Portsmouth, RI: Carol Chiang, MIT/LL)
 - Discussed TASC Common Software Framework and RTI deadlock
 - Site visits to CCTT and BDS-D to discuss operation problems/issues
 - Participated in BFTT/JTCTS Integration
- JTFP 15 & 16 May (Aegis Research: Cris Hutto, Richard Weatherly, MITRE)
 - Discussed federate middleware, RTI issues
 - Observed RTI deadlock in EAGLE and NSS federates
- Analysis 21 May (JWARS PO: Annette Wilson, MITRE)
 - Discussed structure of Analysis Proto-federation





RTI Buddy System - Results

- 'Buddy' approach is working well
 - Deadlock clearly defined, characterized, and addressed based on cooperative efforts between RTI and federation teams
 - Addressing the deadlock problem
 - Teleconference held with federation 'deputies' on 24 May to explain current understanding of the problem and discuss short term RTI fixes
 - RTI v0.32 released 28 May with short term fixes
 - Teleconference held 31 May to get 'deputies' feedback on operation of RTI v0.32.
 - RTI v0.33 to be released 21 June
- RTI buddies will continue to work with protofederations during experiments





Action Items

- Testing
- Security
- FAQs





Test Working Group Update

- Draft Interface Test Procedures, version 0.2, dated 4 May 1996, available on the web page.
 - Document incorporates state diagrams for each procedure.
- Test Procedures (v0.3) will include:
 - Update to v0.5 of Interface Spec
 - Service Implementation Log (how to record data during testing; this is an attachment to the procedures)
 - Exception behavior
 - Graphical state diagrams
 - Ownership Tests divided into: transfering attributes and transfering id
 - Behavior for "responding to" tests
 - Enhanced time management tests





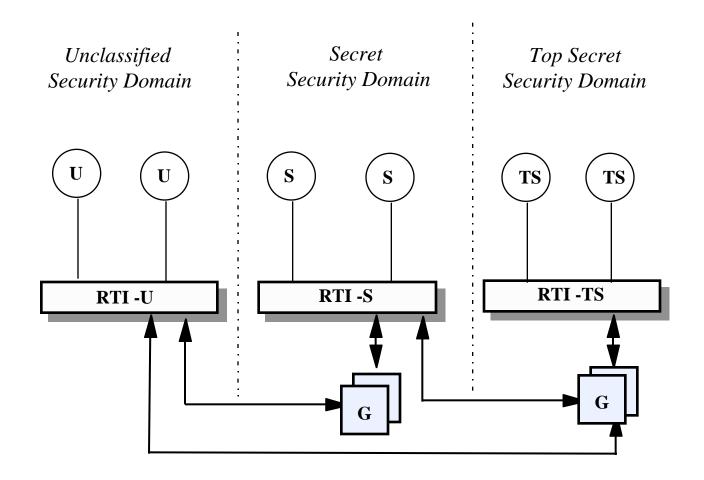
HLA Security Status

- After some contractual difficulties, the HLA Security Architecture effort is back on track
 - TIS personnel met with DMSO and TST members on 3 June
 - Follow-on meetings with OMTWG and I/F Spec chairs to provide initial assessments of security impacts on OMT and I/F Spec
- Initial quick-look assessments
 - No security implications in near term for HLA Rules
 - Security implications in near term for interface specification will be rolled into v1.0 as appropriate
 - OMT security implications only impact the OMT extensions (v0.3)
 - FRED still must be addressed; most security issues are a matter of implementation
- TIS will prepare supporting documentation for HLA Technical Library following baseline definition



Security Architecture -- Mid Term DMSO **Current Approach**









Frequently Asked Questions

- Following the 14th DIS Workshop, the Coordinating Committee, the STG VIP, and DMSO assembled a collection of more than 40 questions from the various DIS working groups.
- Questions were organized into categories, answers developed based on HLA documentation, past FAQs (from DMSO Web page), and from inputs from Coordinating Committee members.
- Answers formulated by DMSO, the DIS Coordinating Committee, and the DIS Steering Committee.
- List is posted to the DMSO Web site.

http://www.dmso.mil/projects/hla/faq/





HLA Technical Library

- The HLA Technical Library has been established to organize the documentation and specifications of the HLA.
- General structure
 - HLA Overview Briefing
 - Baseline Technical Definition
 - HLA Glossary
 - Interface Specification Supporting Documentation
 - **OMT Supporting Documentation**
 - HLA Compliance Checklist
 - HLA Planning Documentation
 - Federation Development and Execution Process
 - HLA Security Architecture
 - RTI Documentation
 - Published Papers
- Basic outline will be reflected on DMSO Web pages, with links to other resources as appropriate.